

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 448
By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to congratulate and recognize Joe S. Ingram
upon being named the 2003 Senior Citizens
Home Assistance Services Blount County
Person of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary citizen is Joe S. Ingram, who, on May 16, 2003, was named the 2003 Senior Citizens Home Assistance Services Blount County Person of the Year, an annual award recognizing outstanding Blount County citizens who have provided meritorious service to their community; and

WHEREAS, through his professional service and volunteer efforts, Mr. Ingram has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community; his life of service and goodwill stands as a testament to the difference one person can make; and

WHEREAS, he is a 1966 graduate of Alcoa High School; a sterling scholar, he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Tennessee in 1970; and

WHEREAS, a Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Ingram has meritoriously served the people of Blount County for many years with the firms of Gillespie & Sherrod, Gillespie & Newman, and Ingram, Overholt & Bean; and

WHEREAS, Joe Ingram presently serves with acumen and diligence as the President and Managing Partner of Ingram, Overholt & Bean, in which position he has earned the respect of his colleagues for the exemplary quality of his work and his unswerving dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, compelled to make a positive difference in his community, he contributes his time and considerable talents to several community service organizations and programs; he serves as the Vice President and Director of the Blount Memorial Foundation; Vice President of Finance for Boy Scouts of America; Director of the Alcoa City Schools Foundation; and Secretary/Treasurer of the United Way of Blount County Board of Directors; he is also a member of the ALCOA Kiwanis and Gideon's International; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ingram is a faithful member of the Broadway Baptist Church, which he serves as Treasurer, Deacon, and former Sunday School teacher; and

WHEREAS, Joe Ingram is a devoted husband to his wife of thirty-two years, Teresa Sullivan Ingram, and a loving father to their two daughters, Jennifer Ingram Wackerhagen and Meredith D. Ingram; and

WHEREAS, he is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor in Blount County; and

WHEREAS, Joe S. Ingram is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate and recognize Mr. Joe S. Ingram upon being named the 2003 Senior Citizens Home Assistance Services Blount County Person of the Year, express our gratitude for his many significant contributions to his community, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.